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**** DX INFORMATION ****

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- 3A - EA3NT, G4PVM, MM0NDX and RA9USU will participate in the CQ WW DX SSB Contest as 3A3A from the Principality of Monaco. QSL via UA3DX. Also, look for 3A/homecalls before and after the contest. Club Log shows Monaco at #4 Most Wanted for NA West Coast (SSB), and #9 Most Wanted for NA East Coast (SSB). "The reason for this is because most of North America is blocked by mountains to the north and west of Monaco. However, the 3A3A team are in a fortunate position of being permitted roof access to a 5-star waterfront hotel whereby they will erect an assortment of antennas with a view to working the world, and a special focus on NA. Other regions which greatly needs 3A on SSB include Far East AS (#26) and VK/ZL (#63)". [TNX DX World]
- A4 - A team from the Royal Omani Amateur Radio Society (ROARS) will be active as A44M from Masirah Island (AS-014) during the CQ WW DX SSB Contest. Outside the contest, between 28 October and 1 November, they will be QRV as A43MI on various bands and modes. QSL both callsigns via Club Log's OQRS, LoTW and eQSL.
- DL - Celebrating the 35th anniversary of the European DX Foundation, special callsign DL35EUDXF will be active on 1-30 November, and after that from time to time until 31 October 2022. QSL via Club Log's OQRS, LoTW, eQSL; bureau cards can also be requested by email (dl4eax[@]darc.de). An award will be available for QSOs made with this and the other special callsigns, complete information can be found at <https://www.eudxf.eu/?p=3906>.
- EA - URE San Fernando (EA7URF) is participating in the official celebrations for the 500th anniversary of the first circumnavigation of the Earth [425DXN 1467]. The seventh in a series of AM500 special event stations representing a milestone of the voyage will be AM500ESP, to be active on 20-27 November to memorialize the arrival of the ships "Victoria" and "Trinidad" to the Spice Islands (islas de las Especias), i.e. the Moluccas. QSL via EA7URF (bureau or direct), LoTW and eQSL.
- FT_ant - David, F4FKT will be active as FT4YM and FT4YM/p from Antarctica between now and approximately late February-early March. In his spare time he will operate mainly SSB on 40 and 20 metres from various bases, including Concordia, Little Dome C, Cap Prud'homme and Dumont d'Urville on Petrels Island (AN-017). Updates will be posted to the Polar DX Group's Facebook group. QSL via F5PFP.
- ON - Also celebrating the 35th anniversary of the European DX Foundation will be OQ35EUDXF from Belgium. Look for SSB, CW, RTTY and FT8/FT4 activity on 1-30 November. QSL via ON6CC, Club Log's OQRS and LoTW.
- ON - Celebrating the 60th anniversary of the Antarctic Treaty, members of UBA Section NOK (ON4NOK) will be active as OQ60ANT from 1 Novem-

ber to 31 December. All QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the bureau; logsearch and OQRS on Club Log.

PY - Special callsign PV60CRASC will be active on 1-30 November in celebration of the 60th anniversary of the Clube dos Radioamadores de Sao Carlos (PY2CA). QSL via PT2OP, direct (preferred) or bureau, LoTW and eQSL.

SP - The Bydgoszcz Amateur Radio Club (SP2PBY) will be active as SN1BUW, SN3IW, SN4ESH and SN4IU on 8-21 November to honour the memory of Henryk Kruszynski SP2BUW (1957-2020), Ryszard Czerwinski SP2IW (1932-2018), Boleslaw Krzymin SP2ESH (1936-2016) and Zbigniew Gorgolewski SP2IU (1933-2017). QSL via SP2PBY and logsearch on Club Log. A certificate will be available: <http://www.sp2pby.pl/>.

UA - Besides R325FR and R325WMF [425DXN 1590], a large number of special callsigns will be active between 30 October and 30 November for the 325th anniversary of the Russian Navy: R325B, R325BF, R325CF, R325F, R325G, R325K, R325KF, R325N, R325P, R325RF, R325S, R325SF, R325SSF, R325TF, R325Z. QSL via operators' instructions.

V5 - Gunter, DK2WH will be active again as V51WH and V55Y (contest call) from Namibia between November 2021 and March 2022. QSLs via DK2WH, direct or bureau. He does not use LoTW.

VE - Look for Eric, VA2IDX/p to be active from Anticosti Island (NA-077) on 2-7 November. He will operate QRP CW on 20 and maybe 40 metres. QSL via home call and LoTW. [TNX The Daily DX]

ZF - Stan, K5GO will be active again as ZF9CW and ZF5T (contest call) from Cayman Brac (NA-016) until 24 March 2022. He operates mainly CW, with some SSB and no digital modes. QSLs via LoTW, or direct to home call. [TNX The Daily DX]

CQ WW DX SSB CONTEST ---> The following stations have announced their participation in this year's event (30-31 October):

ZONE	CALL	CATEGORY	COUNTRY	QSL VIA
02	VE2IM	SOAB HP	Canada	VE3DZ
02	VY0ERC		Canada	LoTW/M0OXO
05	VP9I	SOAB LP	Bermuda	LoTW/WW3S
08	8P1W	SO	Barbados	KU9C
08	C6AHB		Bahamas	LoTW/NN2T
08	FG4KH	SO	Guadeloupe	LoTW/F1DUZ
08	HI3LT	M/M	Dominican Republic	EB7DX
08	J68HZ	M/?	St. Lucia	LoTW/K9HZ
08	KP2B	Explorer	Virgin Isls	EB7DX
08	KP3Z	M/S	Puerto Rico	N4AO
08	NP2J	SOSB 160m	Virgin Isls	LoTW/K8RF
08	PJ5/W5JON	SO	St Eustatius	LoTW/W5JON
08	T07O	SOAB	Martinique	LoTW/EA1BP
08	V26B	M/S	Antigua & Barbuda	LoTW/KA2AEV
08	WP3C	SOAB	Puerto Rico	M0OXO
08	ZF1A	M/S	Cayman Islands	LoTW/K7ZO
09	FY5KE	M/S	French Guiana	LoTW
09	P40W	SOAB	Aruba	LoTW/N2MM
09	PJ2T	M/M	Curacao	LoTW/W3HNK
09	PJ4K	M/2	Bonaire	KU9C

09	YV5KG	SOSB 160m HP	Venezuela	LoTW/YV5KG
10	HD8R	M/2	Galapagos	EA5RM
11	PY0F	M/?	Fernando de Noronha	PY7RP
13	LP7D	M/S	Argentina	LoTW/LP7D
14	3A3A	M/?	Monaco	UA3DX
14	CR2M	M/?	Azores	LoTW
14	ED1R	M/?	Spain	LoTW
14	ED7O	M/?	Spain	ED7O
14	HB0A	M/S	Liechtenstein	HB0A
14	HB9NE	M/S	Switzerland	LoTW
14	LA4C	M/2	Norway	LoTW/LA4C
14	LN8W	M/M	Norway	LoTW/LA6YEA
14	LX/ON4EI	SOAB LP	Luxembourg	LoTW
14	MX4Y	M/S	England	eQSL
14	PI4M	M/2	Netherlands	LoTW/PA0MBD
14	SD6D	M/M	Sweden	bureau
15	IS0/OM2TW	SOSB 80m	Sardinia	LoTW/OM2FY
15	OF1F	M/S	Finland	LoTW
15	Z60A	M/2	Kosovo	OH2BH
15	Z68XX	SO	Kosovo	DL2JRM
17	EY8MM	SOSB 40m	Tajikistan	W0VTT
20	SX16V	SO	Greece	SV2HJW
20	TC7G	M/S LP	Turkey	LoTW
20	TC7TR	M/?	Turkey	LoTW
21	4L2M	SO	Georgia	EA7FTR
21	4L8A	SOSB 15m	Georgia	LoTW/M0OXO
21	9K2K	SOSB 15m	Kuwait	LoTW/EC6DX
21	A44M	M/?	Oman	LoTW
21	A47RS	SO Classic	Oman	LoTW/A47RS
23	B0A	M/S	China	BA4TB
24	B4T	M/2	China	BA4TB
26	E2A	M/S	Thailand	LoTW/E21EIC
26	HS2UPR	M/S	Thailand	HS2UPR
26	HS8HEX	M/S	Thailand	HS8HEX
28	7A2A	M/?	Indonesia	LoTW
28	YB0ECT	SOSB 20m	Indonesia	W2FB
31	KH7M	SOAB	Hawaii	LoTW
31	KH7Q	SOAB	Hawaii	LoTW/AH6NF
33	CQ3W		Madeira	LoTW
33	CQ9T	M/S	Madeira	LoTW
33	IH9/OK1M	SOSB 80m	AF Italy	OK1M
33	IH9YMC	SOSB	AF Italy	LoTW
35	C5C	M/?	The Gambia	F5RAV
40	JW5E		Svalbard	LoTW
40	OX7A	M/?	Greenland	LoTW/OZ1ACB
40	TF3T	SOAB or SOSB	Iceland	LoTW/TF3MH

Do not forget to give a look at the Announced Operations listing maintained by Bill, NG3K at <https://www.ng3k.com/Misc/cqs2021.html> - good contest to you all!

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Access to the main functions of www.425dxn.org is provided by the 425DXN App for Android. It is available on Google Play - free of charge, no ads. Enjoy!

3Y0J: LATEST NEWS ---> On 27 October the following Press Release #6 was posted to the website (<https://www.3y0j.no/>) of the November 2022 3Y0J DXpedition to Bouvet Island:

"We have reached our first payment milestone for the 'Marama' vessel contract. Today we have paid the first deposit, and with this payment we confirm our plans of activating the #2 most wanted Entity Bouvet. We would like to thank each individual and club who has contributed to this payment with their upfront support, especially thanks to our Lead sponsor NCDXF. It is a huge task and undertaking to go to Bouvet and we still critically need additional upfront support to close the budget.

We are happy to announce two additional operators to the team to make it complete with 13 operators. Dave WD5COV will rejoin us on this adventure to Bouvet. Dave is a well-known and recognized DXer and DXpeditioner who has embarked on over ten major DXpeditions, including three in the top ten most wanted category.

In addition, we have included Peter in the team as a combined crew and dedicated FTx operator. Peter is an experienced captain and expedition leader with huge experience from offshore sailing, sailing in remote polar uncharted areas and specializes in supporting some of the most complex expeditions in the Arctic and Antarctica. He is experienced in safety evacuation procedures, MOB maneuver in cold water, beach landings in difficult locations and he is an experienced zodiac operator that will be based in Norway. He will be heading up the zodiac landing at Bouvet.

Our preparation for Bouvet includes planning, constructing, and testing a system for landing zodiacs safely, this will be tested in rough sea in Norway before and after Christmas. We plan for several systems and techniques to adapt to the onsite conditions. We plan for safely landing the zodiacs in different manners also with some swell, unmanned and with less risk for operators. And we prepare for the event that zodiacs are capsizing and we still can retrieve the equipment. We have done the first prelim sea trials of the zodiac equipment in Norway and will continue sea trials to further mature the concept. We plan for a gasoline powered winch system to lift equipment up the cliff, and this will be tested in Norway after Christmas. We plan to access the 25 ft cliff with professionals means, and if needed prepare for climbing and bolting a short route to gain access. We refresh our climbing experience, and some team members will be certified climbers. In 2022 we will practice safe rope access training and evacuation down the cliff with instructor also including emergency evacuation with injured operator. We will have IRATA educated instructors training with us.

We also have an extended off-island team of 5 Norwegian professionals and experts from the maritime industry assisting us. These are former captains and chief engineers with huge experience within RIB SAR vessels, maritime risk assessment and safety training. Some of them have stayed several seasons at Bouvet, stayed anchored at Cape Fie, have passed Bouvet more than 60 times and have done zodiac landing at the same spot. With all these upcoming

events and the knowledge in the extended team - be rest assured this will be a well planned and executed project".

CROZET 2022-2023 ---> After many months of efforts and negotiations, the TAAF (the body in charge of the administration of the French Southern and Antarctic Lands) has granted permission to Thierry, F6CUK to conduct a one-man operation from the Crozet Islands from mid-December 2022 to mid-March 2023. For the first time, this will not be a 'spare time' activity during a scientific mission.

Paul, F6EXV will be the fundraiser and QSL manager: "details will be forthcoming in the next few days, weeks and months, when they become available and publishable", he says. "Please do not try to contact either Thierry or Paul for the time being, there will be no reply to any messages related to this operation until further notice". According to Jean-Michel, F6AJA, "Thierry will seek financial assistance given that this project is estimated between 40,000-45,000 euros". The latest activity from Crozet was in 2009, by Florentin, F4DYW (FT5WQ). [TNX F6EXV and F6AJA]

IARU REGION 1 NEW EC ---> A new Executive Committee was elected at the IARU R1 Conference and Workshop on 24 October: Sylvain Azarian (F4GKR, President), Hani Raad (OD5TE, Vice-President), Mats Espling (SM6EAN, Secretary), Andreas Thiemann (HB9JOE, Treasurer), and EC members Ahmad AlHoli (9K2DB), Joerg Jaehrig (DJ3HW), Alessandro Carletti (IV3KKW), Lisa Leenders (PA2LS) and Oliver Tabakovski (Z32TO).

QSL VIA EA5GL ---> Pedro, EA5GL is picking up the QSLing for a number of past IOTA operations, for which he is going to have new QSL cards printed:

3G9JA	February 2016	Isla Hornos	SA-031
L22D	January 2013	Isla Gama	SA-022
LT0X	November 2012	Isla Pinguino	SA-087
OC0I	February 2014	Isla San Lorenzo	SA-052
XR5JA	December 2014	Isla Quiriquina	SA-070
YV6YV/4	November 2015	Isla Alcatraz	SA-058

See <https://www.grz.com/db/EA5GL> for instructions. "I am receiving many requests for help and I will gladly continue to do so", he says. He will update his page with the new stations that he can handle.

QSL VP8ADR & VP8BTR ---> Bob, VP8ADR and his wife Lyn, VP8BTR are active from their Sheep Farm at Walker Creek, Falkland Islands (SA-002). Their QSL manager is M0OXO. The QSL cards for both callsigns are being prepared and will be available in a few weeks' time, but the OQRS is already up and running for both logs: <https://www.m0oxo.com/oqrs/logsearch.php>.

VE3CSE75 & VE3CST75 ---> These callsigns were used on 27-28 October in celebration of the 75th anniversary of the Communications Security Establishment/Centre de la Securite des Telecommunications (Canada's signals intelligence and communications security agency). QSL via eQSL, or direct to CSE History Program, Communications Security Establishment, PO Box 9703, Terminal, Ottawa ON K1G 3Z4, Canada.

VK9DX ---> Nick, VK2DX has moved permanently to Norfolk Island (OC-005), and is now active as VK9DX. QSL direct to his work address in Sidney (Nick Hacko, Suite 403 Level 4, Culwulla Chambers, 67 Castlereagh St, Sydney, NSW

2000, Australia); see <https://www.qrz.com/db/vk9dx> for LoTW instructions.

+ SILENT KEY + Will Roberts, AA4NC lost his life in a plane crash on 21 October. An experienced pilot, he was taking off from a small airstrip near Holly Ridge (North Carolina) when his single-engine Mooney M20J crashed. "I have been interested in contesting and DXing my entire ham career", he would say, "and prefer being on the DX end of the pileup". Will operated from a large number of places, notably Navassa Island (AA4NC/KP1 1992), Sable Island (CY0XX 1996), St. Eustatius (PJ5/AA4NC October 2010), St. Paul Island (CY9C 2016 and 2019) and San Andres (5KON 2017). In 2018 and 2020 he went on two island-hopping tours in the Pacific, which included stops at Palau (T8NC), Saipan (KH0/AA4NC), Guam (KH2/AA4NC), Hawaii (KH6/AA4NC), Tahiti (TX4N), Norfolk Island (VK9NR), Papua New Guinea (P29NC), Solomon Islands (H44NC), Vanuatu (YJ0NC) and Fiji (3D2AA). Will was already signed up for both CY9C and CY0C in 2022.

QSLs received direct or through managers: 3W1T, 5I3B (AF-032), 5I3W (AF-032), 5Z4PA, 7Q7RU, AP2SD, C92RU, EY8/K4ZW, HP1AVS, JT1CO, JW0W (EU-063), KL7RRC (NA-039), RI0FWA (AS-025), S79KW, SU1SK, VE2CSI, XV1X, ZD7BG.

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